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In re Application of :
Olivera, McIntosh, Yoshikami, :
Cartier, and Luo : DECISION NOTING JOINDER OF
Application No. 09/897,465 : INVENTOR AND PETITION UNDER
Filed: 3 July, 2001 : 37 CFR 1.47(a) MOOT
Attorney Docket No. 2314-236 :

Papers filed on 21 October, 2004, in response to the decision on petition mailed on 21 June, 2004, included a two-month extension of time as well as a Declaration signed by the previously non-signing inventor, Baldomero M. Olivera, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63.

In view of the joinder of the inventors, further consideration under 37 CFR 1.47(a) is moot; this application does not have any rule 1.47(a) status and no such status should appear on the file wrapper. This application need not be returned to this office for any further consideration under 37 CFR 1.47(a).

This application will be referred to Technology Center Art Unit 1645 for further processing.

Telephone inquiries related to this decision should be directed to the undersigned at (571)272-3231.

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